MR. P. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: (*a*) and (*b*) The records of fourteen years have to be scrutinised and efforts will be made to compile and publish the figures in due course.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: May I know whether it will be given in the course of 1115?

MR. P. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI: Yes, the information will be furnished.

Promotion of clerks in the Judicial Department.

235. ❋ MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether in the matter of promotions of clerks in the Judicial Department, the principle of seniority is strictly adhered to; and

(*b*) whether in such promotions any preference is given to those clerks who have passed the departmental test?

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) Seniority, combined with efficiency, is the principle adhered to in giving promotions.

(*b*) Yes.

Staff in each of the Munsiffs' Courts.

236 ❋ MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: Will the Gvernment be pe ased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the satff in each of the Munsiffs' Courts of Trivandyum Quilon, Pathanamthitta, Chengannur, Kottayam and Neyyattinkara?

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: The statement is laid on the table.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: ഡിഷ്യൽ കോടതികളിൽ പി ന്നോക്കസമുദായത്തിൽനിന്നും ആളുകളെ നിയമിക്കണമെന്ന ആർഡർ ഉണ്ടോ എന്നും അങ്ങനെ ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ മേലാൽ അവരെ ഒഴിവായി നിയമിക്കുമോ എന്നും പറയാമോ?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: It is a question of future policy and it is not possible to give an answer.

Staff in the District Courts.

237 ❋MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the staff in each of the District Courts of Trivandrum, Quilon, Alleppey and Kottayam?

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: The †statement is laid on the table.

Clerks in the Judicial Department.

238 ❋MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN: Will the Government be pleased to state the number of clerks in the Judicial Department who have passed the Pleadership Examination of the Travancore Government?

* *Vide* Appendix X —page840.

† *Vide* Appendix X I, —page841.

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